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INFO AMEMBASSY BLANTYRE

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SUBJECT: DUTCH REBUFFED ON MOZAMBIQUE DIPLOMATIC AND AID OFFER

1. ACCORDING TO LOCAL NETHERLANDS BUSINESSMAN, AN OFFICER OF THE NETHERLANDS EMBASSY IN LUSAKA VISITED MOZAMBIQUE APPROXIMATELY 9-12 AUGUST IN ORDER TO OBTAIN AGREEMENT ACCREDITING THE NETHERLANDS AMBASSADOR IN LUSAKA TO MOZAMBIQUE, AND TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR AN ECONOMIC AID SURVEY TEAM. THIS OFFICER WAS TOLD BY THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF GPRM (NOT KNOWN AT WHAT LEVEL) THAT SINCE THERE HAD BEEN NO JOINT COMMUNIQUE ISSUED BETWEEN FRELIMO AND THE NETHERLANDS PRIOR TO INDEPENDENCE THE AMBASSADOR HIMSELF WOULD HAVE TO COME TO LOURENCO MARQUES TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER. THE OFFICIAL WAS

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ALSO TOLD THAT IT WAS "PREMATURE" TO DISCUSS A VISIT OF AN

ECONOMIC AID TEAM.

2. COMMENT: WE ARE INFORMED THAT THE DUTCH, LIKE THE BRITISH, HAD CONSIDERED A JOINT COMMUNIQUE PRIOR TO INDEPENDENCE BUT DECIDED IT WAS NOT NECESSARY. THE REBUFF RECEIVED BY THE DUTCH IS MILDLY SURPRISING SINCE THE NETHERLANDS ALONG WITH THE SCANDANAVIAN COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN REGARDED BY FRELIMO AS HAVING BEEN HELPFUL DURING THE INDEPENDENCE STRUGGLE, BUT THIS ACTION IS CONSISTENT WITH TREATMENT ACCORDED ALL WESTERN COUNTRIES WHO FAILED TO SECURE A JOINT COMMUNIQUE OF MUTUAL RECOGNITION PRIOR TO INDEPENDENCE ON JUNE 25. WALKER

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